



Region 6 Nominating Committee Meeting

Monday, April 24, 2023

9:00 am-9:50 am

In-Person Location – Virginia Institute of Marine Science

Virtual Meeting Location -

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MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT AND VOTING: Linda Worrell, John Anzivino; Virtual – Kim McClellan

STAFF: Ian Ginger, Sarah Oldaker; GWRC

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. McClellan called the meeting to Order at 9:02 am. Mr. Ginger called roll and a Quorum was present. Mr. Ginger indicated that there was no public comment.

CONSENT AGENDA (ACTION ITEM)

Ms. McClellan indicated they needed a motion to approve the Consent Agenda and Minutes from the October 24, 2022 Nominating Committee Meeting. Mr. Anzivino motions to approve the Consent Agenda. Ms. Worrell Seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

NOMINATION OF REGIONAL COUNCIL MEMBER REAPPOINTMENTS, EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND NEW REGIONAL COUNCIL MEMBERS (ACTION ITEM)

Ms. McClellan indicated that there were several appointments to discuss. Ms. McClellan and Mr. Ginger agreed that all nominations could be handled in one slate and one motion.

Ms. McClellan indicated that Jackie Davis was up for reappointment and would love to have her back on the Regional Council.

Ms. McClellan then indicated that the current Executive Committee members were rolling off of the committee so new members needed to be appointed. The three members up for nomination to the Executive Committee were Joel Griffin, Jackie Davis, and Jeff Szyperski.

Ms. McClellan then moved on to the new member appointments to the Regional Council. Ms. McClellan expressed gratitude and excitement for the new members, especially having an oyster producer on the Council. The two new members to be nominated were Taryn Brice-Rowland from Rogue Oysters and Lindsey Watson from Rappahannock Electric Co-op.

Ms. McClellan asked for a motion to approve all the new nominees. Mr. Szyperski motioned for approval and Ms. Worrell seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION OF REGIONAL COUNCIL CHAIR

Ms. McClellan began the discussion of Billy Beale's eventual stepping down as Chair. Mr. Beale had agreed to stay on until a replacement is found. The Committee discussed potential replacements and losing the institutional knowledge that Mr. Beale has. The discussion included members of Executive



Committee, the Vice Chair moving up to Chair, and Mr. Beale training the new Chair. The Committee agreed to look into options over the next six months and pull Mr. Beale into the conversation.

The Committee moved on to discuss having members of the Council being more engaged and having a summer retreat to update the Growth and Diversification Plan and to have a stakeholder meeting early 2024.

Mr. Ginger pointed out that the Regional Council may need to amend the by-laws so that the Chair and Vice-Chair have term limits.

The Committee also discussed bringing in new members into the Council since many members will term out in the next couple of years. The Committee agreed to task the entire Regional Council with finding one person from their region who may be interested in serving by the July Regional Council meeting. The Committee agreed to focus more on the more rural jurisdictions in the Northern Neck and Middle Peninsula and to have more diversity on the Council.

ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business, Ms. McClellan adjourned the meeting at 9:50 am.